

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, HHS

§ 447.53

(c) For each charge imposed under paragraph (a) or (b) of this section, the plan must specify—

- (1) The amount of the charge;
- (2) The period of liability for the charge; and
- (3) The consequences for an individual who does not pay.

(d) The plan must provide that any charge imposed under paragraph (b) of this section is related to total gross family income as set forth under § 447.52.

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§ 447.52 Minimum and maximum income-related charges.

For the purpose of relating the amount of an enrollment fee, premium, or similar charge to total gross family income, as required under § 447.51(d), the following rules apply:

(a) *Minimum charge.* A charge of at least \$1.00 per month is imposed on each—

- (1) One- or two-person family with monthly gross income of \$150 or less;
- (2) Three- or four-person family with monthly gross income of \$300 or less; and
- (3) Five- or more-person family with monthly gross income of \$350 or less.

(b) *Maximum charge.* Any charge related to gross family income that is above the minimum listed in paragraph (a) of this section may not exceed the standards shown in the following table:

MAXIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE

Gross family income (per month)	Family size		
	1 or 2	3 or 4	5 or more
\$150 or less	\$1	\$1	\$1
\$151 or \$200	2	1	1
\$201 to \$250	3	1	1
\$251 to \$300	4	1	1
\$301 to \$350	5	2	1
\$351 to \$400	6	3	2
\$401 to \$450	7	4	3
\$451 to \$500	8	5	4
\$501 to \$550	9	6	5
\$551 to \$600	10	7	6
\$601 to \$650	11	8	7
\$651 to \$700	12	9	8
\$701 to \$750	13	10	9
\$751 to \$800	14	11	10
\$801 to \$850	15	12	11
\$851 to \$900	16	13	12
\$901 to \$950	17	14	13
\$951 to \$1,000	18	15	14
More than \$1,000	19	16	15

(c) *Income-related charges.* The agency must impose an appropriately higher charge for each higher level of family income, within the maximum amounts specified in paragraph (b) of this section.

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DEDUCTIBLE, COINSURANCE, CO-PAYMENT OR SIMILAR COST-SHARING CHARGE

§ 447.53 Applicability; specification; multiple charges.

(a) *Basic requirements.* Except as specified in paragraph (b) of this section, the plan may impose a nominal deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or similar charge upon categorically and medically needy individuals for any service under the plan.

(b) *Exclusions from cost sharing.* The plan may not provide for impositions of a deductible, coinsurance, copayment, or similar charge upon categorically or medically needy individuals for the following:

(1) *Children.* Services furnished to individuals under 18 years of age (and, at the option of the State, individuals under 21, 20, or 19 years of age, or any reasonable category of individuals 18 years of age or over but under 21) are excluded from cost sharing.

(2) *Pregnant women.* Services furnished to pregnant women if such services related to the pregnancy, or to any other medical condition which may complicate the pregnancy are excluded from cost sharing obligations. These services include routine prenatal care, labor and delivery, routine postpartum care, family planning services, complications of pregnancy or delivery likely to affect the pregnancy, such as hypertension, diabetes, urinary tract infection, and services furnished during the postpartum period for conditions or complications related to the pregnancy. The postpartum period is the immediate postpartum period which begins on the last day of pregnancy and extends through the end of the month in which the 60-day period following termination of pregnancy ends. States may further exclude from cost sharing all services furnished to pregnant women if they desire.